

**New Shoreham Deer Task Force Agenda  
Tuesday April 6, 2010  
Town Hall, Old Town Road, Block Island  
7:30 p.m.**

**Present:** Mary Sue Record, Becky Ballard, Bill Wilson, Maggie Komosinski, George Mellor, Chris Blane, Paul Deane, Pat Doyle. Also present to take the minutes Bonny Ryan and representing the Block Island Times, Dan West.

**Not Present:** Chris Blansfield

Meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m.

**Public Input:**

Mary Sue Record circulated articles from the Providence Journal and Block Island Times relating to deer. Ms. Record also reported that deer dates and the recommendations forwarded to the Council will be on the April 21 agenda for the Town Council meeting.

**Approval of minutes from March 16, 2010**

Minutes were approved with minor corrections in a motion by Bill Wilson and seconded by George Mellor.

Ayes 8 (Record, Ballard, Wilson, Komosinski, Mellor, Blane, Deane, Doyle)

Nays 0

Absent 1 (Blansfield)

**Old Business**

- CDC grant and Fish/Krause study  
Mr. Wilson reported that there was nothing to report.
- Deer reduction plan

**Identification of conservation lands for hunting**

This item prompted a discussion with Mr. West from the Block Island Times. The properties to be discussed were only in the planning stage and it was felt that if they were disclosed before the owners were approached or informed it would be detrimental to the Task force's efforts.

Discussed were:

Plat 11 Lot 60: BI Land Trust

Plat 16 lots 39, 40-1, 40-2, 40-3, 42-1: BI Conservancy

Plat 16 lot 1: BI Conservancy

Plat 3 lots 86-4, 86-6 and 64-1: BI Conservancy

Plat 8, Lot 183: DEM Land

Plat 3 Lots 144 and 145 DEM Land

Plat 10 Lot 33: The Nature Conservancy

A motion was made by Ms. Record and seconded by Mr. Wilson to ask the Town Council to send a letter to the various conservation groups asking them to consider opening the lands for hunting that the Deer Task Force requests.

Ayes 7 (Record, Wilson, Mellor, Deane, Doyle, Ballard, Komosinski)

Nays 1 (Blane)

Absent 1 (Blansfield)

Discussion about the specifics for each request i.e., specific times, specific people, safety proposals, etc. will be discussed at the next meeting.

A motion was made by Mary Sue Record and seconded by Paul Deane to pursue asking for permission to hunt on Plat 11 Lot 60 from the BI Land Trust under conditions to be discussed at a later time.

Ayes 8 (Record, Wilson, Mellor, Deane, Doyle, Ballard, Komosinski, Blane)

Nays 0

Absent 1 (Blansfield)

A motion was made by Mary Sue Record and seconded by Becky Ballard to pursue asking for permission to hunt of Plat 16 Lots 39, 40-1, 40-2, 40-3, and 42-1 from the Block Island Conservancy under conditions to be discussed at a later time.

Ayes 8 (Record, Wilson, Mellor, Deane, Doyle, Ballard, Komosinski, and Blane)

Nays 0

Absent 1 (Blansfield)

A motion was made by Mary Sue Record and seconded by Pat Doyle to have Maggie Komosinski talk to Second Warden Ray Torrey and explore the feasibility of hunting on Plat 16, Lot 2 owned by the RI Airport Corporation. She will also explore nuisance permits for that location.

Ayes 8 (Record, Wilson, Mellor, Deane, Doyle, Ballard, Komosinski, and Blane)

Nays 0

Absent 1 (Blansfield)

A motion was made by Mary Sue Record and seconded by Bill Wilson to pursue asking for permission to hunt Plat 3 Lots 86-4, 86-6, and 64-1 from the Block Island Conservancy under conditions to be discussed at a later time.

Ayes 8 (Record, Wilson, Mellor, Deane, Doyle, Ballard, Komosinski, and Blane)

Nays 0

Absent 1 (Blansfield)

It was decided to open a discussion with the DEM when they come out about open State Lands.

For next month's meeting the conditions will be worked up by a subcommittee of Chris Blane, Paul Deane, Becky Ballard and Maggie Komosinski.

Also for next month's meeting, Public Health will be on the agenda.

Maggie, Becky, Paul and Chris were thanked for their efforts in identifying properties to open for hunting.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m. in a motion by Mary Sue Record and seconded by Paul Deane and voted unanimously.

Minutes approved:

Bonny Ryan